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SUBJECT: GON TO INQUIRE INTO PROPRIETY OF OFFICIALS HOLDING
OUTSIDE POSITIONS

1. PUBLICITY ABOUT DUTCH OFFICIALS (PARLIAMENTARIANS, ADMINSTRATORS AND MEMBERS OF ROYAL FAMILY) HOLDING OUTSIDE POSITIONS HAS RESULTED IN GOVERNMENT DECISION TO LOOK INTO PRACTICE. PROBE WHICH WAS ANNOUNCED BY PRIME MINISTER DEN UYL WILL INCLUDE ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OF STATE, QUEEN'S COMMISSIONERS IN THE ELEVEN PROVINCES, AND MAYORS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. INVESTIGATION WILL NOT EXTEND TO PARLIAMENT WHICH IS LOOKING INTO QUESTION ON ITS OWN--MEMBERS' OUTSIDE FUNCTIONS HAVE BEEN MADE PUBLIC AS A RESULT OF REVELATIONS LAST YEAR THAT ONE MEMBER WAS ON GULF OIL PAYROLL.

2. BY INCLUDING COUNCIL OF STATE IN PROBE, OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES OF ROYAL FAMILY (QUEEN, PRINCE BERNHARD, PRINCESS BEATRIX AND PRINCE CLAUS ARE MEMBERS) WILL PRESUMABLY BE LOOKED INTO. PRINCE BERNHARD HOLDS SOME 300 POSITIONS, INCLUDING MANY COMPANY
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